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Overview of the Center

Why a United States Diplomacy Center? Today, as throughout our history, diplomacy plays a critical role in securing the peace, security, and prosperity that American citizens enjoy. Through vivid multi-media exhibits, hands-on activities, unique artifacts, and thought-provoking educational programs, the Center will engage visitors through stories of American diplomacy and explain why diplomacy matters.



The Pavilion

Visitors to the United States Diplomacy Center will begin their journey inside a two-level glass pavilion designed by the architectural firm Beyer Blinder Belle to complement the original 1941 wing of the Harry S Truman Building, the headquarters of the U.S. Department of State. The transparent glass design invites visitors in to the Center for a behind-the-scenes experience about diplomacy.

Our Goals

Promote a better understanding of the challenges and achievements of American diplomacy;

Recognize the contributions of American diplomats;

Stimulate interest in our country's foreign relations; and

Inspire the next generation to pursue diplomacy-related careers.

Our Audience

We aim to engage students and educators through the Center's education programs and curricula; U.S. and international visitors to Washington, D.C.; and, visitors to the Center's online presence, including the Discover Diplomacy educational website (<https://diplomacy.state.gov/discoverdiplomacy>).

The Halls

Hall I: Through exhibits and interactive displays, visitors will learn about U.S. relationships with nations around the world and learn how diplomacy operates today.

Hall II: Thematic galleries guide visitors through America's diplomatic and foreign policy history, from the first treaties with France in 1778 through the complexities of 21st century global multilateral relationships and challenges.

Hall III: A Global Classroom will allow students to participate in our diplomacy simulations, meet with diplomats, and discuss explore global issues.

Hall IV: A segment of the Berlin Wall with the signatures of world leaders welcomes visitors to the lower level of the Pavilion where special events and programs take place. A cafe and gift shop also is planned for this level.



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